

ENCODING AND DECODING OF TRUNCATED
SCALABLE BITSTREAMS

ABSTRACT

The disclosure has application, for use in conjunction with a video encoding/decoding technique wherein images are encoded into frame-representative bitstreams that include start codes and variable length codes and at least some of the bitstreams are truncated for streaming, ultimately, to a decoder for decoding. A disclosed method includes the following steps: selecting an end code having a value that is different than any start code and any variable length code of the bitstream; and appending the end code to the bitstreams.